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OF BILATERAL RELATIONS, AND PRIMARILY ON THE BURNING PROBLEMS WHICH ARE AT THE CENTER OF ATTENTION OF THE WHOLE OF THE WORLD PUBLIC -- QUESTIONS OF WAR AND PEACE, OF ENDING THE NUCLEAR ARMS RACE, THE WHOLE SET OF QUESTIONS WHICH ARE EMBRACED BY THIS SUBJECT.

BEFORE I GO OVER TO A DIRECT DESCRIPTION OF THE MEETING ITSELF, THE CONTENT OF THE DISCUSSIONS, THE PROPOSALS OF THE SIDES AND THE RESULTS OF THIS MEETING, I WANT TO SAY, TO EXPLAIN TO YOU, SINCE I HAVE NOT YET HAD THE OPPORTUNITY, WHY WE IN FACT CAME OUT WITH THE INITIATIVE ON HOLDING THIS MEETING.

I REGULARLY READ THE WORLD PRESS, AND I HAVE FELT LATELY WHEN THE QUESTION OF HOLDING THE MEETING WAS DECIDED, WHAT A BROAD REACTION WAS PROVOKED BY THIS ANNOUNCEMENT, THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE MEETING. MUCH HAS BEEN SAID BOTH ABOUT THE GENERAL SECRETARY OF THE CPSU CENTRAL COMMITTEE AND THE U.S. PRESIDENT. BUT HAVEN'T THEY BEEN A BIT HASTY? IS IT NECESSARY? AND WHO YIELDED TO WHOM, AND WHO OUTPLAYED WHOM? AND SO ON.

YOU KNOW, THE GROUNDS WHICH SERVED AS THE INITIAL FACTOR FOR OUR PROPOSING TO THE U.S. PRESIDENT AN URGENT MEETING AND FOR THE DECISION OF THE PRESIDENT, MR REAGAN, TO RESPOND TO THIS MEETING POSITIVELY, ARE VERY SIGNIFICANT, VERY SIGNIFICANT.

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